

In The Claims:

Cancel Claims 1-4, inclusive, and add the following claims:

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5. A hook and bucket attachment device for a front end loader wherein said loader has arms which are powered by the loader to various positions with arm engagement means at the outer ends of the arms and for optional use with a bucket:

said hook and bucket device comprising an elongated frame having an upper and lower end, a plurality of hooks having a downward pointed front ends and rearward portions pivotally mounted to the upper end of the frame, hydraulic means connected between the hooks and the frame to power the pivotal movement of the hooks relative to the frame, engagement means along the rearward portions of the frame to inter engage with the engagement means on the arms of the loader to lock the frame to the arms of the loader;

said bucket having a rearward face with engagement means on the bucket to engage the arm engagement means on the loader to directly mount the bucket to the arms of the loader, in lieu of the frame;

91 said frame having inter engagement means on its front face to engage the engagement means of the bucket on its rear face to lock the bucket to the frame, while the frame is, in turn, locked to the arms of the loader, whereby the bucket may be used with the hooks on the frame while the frame and bucket are mounted to the arms of the loader, or may be used directly with the loader.

6. A hook and bucket attachment device according to Claim 5 wherein said hydraulic means comprises hydraulic pistons and cylinders mounted between the hooks and the frame to power the pivotal movement of the hooks on the frame, said frame having hydraulic cable lines extending from the frame to hydraulic lines on the loader, pair of pivoting channels mounted on the frame for receiving cable lines from the cylinders on the frame, said pivoting channels having roller means on the pivoting connection between the channels to guide the cables from one channel about the roller to the other channel to enable the cables to ride on the rollers as the channels are pivoted toward and away from one another to adjust to the change of positions of the lines as the attachment device pivots the location of the cable lines as the loader moves the attachment device on its arms.